(*b*) Are the Government aware that a major portion of the schools maintained for imparting general education in the State were built by the people at their own cost?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Government have no information.

(*b*) Government are aware that several Vernacular Schools, generally of the primary standard, have been built by the people and handed over to the Government.

Economic Development Board.

394. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement detailing the various directions in which the country has developed through the agency of the Economic Development Board?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to appendices D and A of the Annual Reports of the Economic Development Board for 1097 and 1098 respectively, which give particulars of the activities of the Board.

Powers to Transfer Teachers.

395. MR. T. M. CHIDAMBARATANU PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Tovala*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether there are provisions empowering the Director of Public Instruction and the Inspector of English Schools in the matter of transfer of teachers?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The powers of the Director of Public Instruction in the matter of transfer of teachers are regulated by the rules passed under date the 28th February, 1909, published at pages 61 to 65 of the *Government Gazette*, dated the 16th March, 1909, and those of the Inspector of English Schools, by Rule 22 of the Inspection Code.

Stimulus to Tamil Study in South Travancore.

396. MR. T. M. CHIDAMBARATANU PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Tovala*): (*a*) Are the Government aware of the stimulus given to the study of Tamil by the changes introduced by the Assistant Inspector of Vernacular Schools, District I?

(*b*) What action has been taken on the memorial requesting the Government to put Mr. K. S. Sankararama Aiyar M. A., L. T., in charge of all the Tamil districts with powers of appointment and transfer over his subordinates?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Government have no information.

(*b*) The memorial has been lodged.

Expansion of English Education among Nanjanad Vellalas.

397. MR. T. M. CHIDAMBARATANU PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Tovala*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether the following statements found in the report prepared and submitted to

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the Government in 1922 by the Nanjanad Marumakkathaya Vellala Committee, *viz.*, "there are on the whole only twelve graduates in the community. Most of them have not taken to English education," have come to their notice?

(*b*) Can the Government not gather from the above quotation that in this community there are only very few persons who have received higher education?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are affording any encouragement to this community as in the case of other communities who have no taste for education?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) The conclusion referred to does not necessarily follow from the premises quoted.

(*c*) The answer is in the negative.

Appointments in the Office of the Director of Public Instruction.

398. MR. T. M. CHIDAMBARATANU PILLAI (*Kalkulam cum Tovala*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state the number of vacancies, permanent or temporary, that have arisen during the past three years in the office of the Director of Public Instruction?

(*b*) How many persons were promoted to the office of the Director of Public Instruction from subordinate offices during these three years?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether the complaint that, in the re-organisation of the Education Department in Tulam, 1098, many clerks with short service were promoted to the higher grade, disregarding the claims of many with long service, has any foundation?

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	Year.	*Number.*	
		Permanent.	*Temporary.*
(*a*)	1096	4	37
	1097	...	33
	1098	6	49
(*b*)	1096	...	2
	1097	...	...
	1098	4	1

(*c*) It is reported that the claims of all the clerks were fully considered.

Publication of old Tamil Manuscripts.

399. MR. T. M. CHIDAMBARATANU PILLAI (*Kalkulam cum Tovala*): Will the Government be pleased to appoint a scholar for

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